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1. In early January Chinese Communist authorities announced that the mouth of Yangtze River at Woosung would be closed to all shipping between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. from 14 to 17 January.
2. On 9 January 30 wooden boats* loaded with Chinese Communist troops sailed down the Yangtze from Wanhsien (108-24, 30-49).**
3. On 10 January 41 wooden boats loaded with army horses sailed down the Yangtze from Chungking.
4. On 12 January 281 troops were shipped to Hankow from Chungking.
5. On 13 January 10 wooden boats loaded with troops sailed down the Yangtze from Wanhsien and 43 wooden boats, 11 carrying troops and 32 carrying horses, sailed down the Yangtze from Chungking.
6. On 14 and 15 January a total of 1,800 troops left Chungking for Ich'ang (111-17, 30-42).

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* [REDACTED] Comment. Other reports of movement of troops in wooden boats in this area give the boat capacity as 50 troops with personal equipment.

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** [REDACTED] Comment. For further information on the movement of troops down the Yangtze, see [REDACTED] and referenced reports.

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